

## CLAIMS

### WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1           1. A method of transferring image information between an imaging device and  
2           a host system, the method comprising the steps of:  
3               (a) detecting that the imaging device is connected to the host system; and  
4               (b) transferring one or more images between the imaging device and the  
5           host system in response to the step (a).
  
- 1           2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step (b) further comprises sensing that  
2           the imaging device is connected to a port of the host system.
  
- 1           3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step (b) further comprises sensing that  
2           the imaging device is connected to a USB port of the host system.
  
- 1           4. The method of claim 1, wherein the step (b) further comprises sensing that  
2           the imaging device is connected to a 1394 port of the host system.
  
- 1           5. The method of claim 1, wherein the steps (a) and (b) further comprise the  
2           steps of:  
3               (a) detecting that a camera is connected to the host system; and  
4               (b) transferring one or more images between the camera and the host  
5           system in response to the step (a).
  
- 1           6. The method of claim 5, wherein the step (b) further comprises the step of:  
2               (b) transferring one or more images between the camera and a host  
3           personal computer system in response to the step (a).

1           7. The method of claim 1, wherein the step (b) further comprises the step of:  
2               (b) transferring one or more images between the imaging device and a  
3           host personal computer system in response to the step (a).

1           8. The method of claim 1, wherein the step (b) further comprises the step of:  
2               (b) initiating an application program running on the host system in  
3           response to the step (a).

1           9. A system comprising:  
2               a processor;  
3               a storage medium storing instructions which when executed by the  
4           processor cause the processor to perform the steps of:  
5               (a) detecting that an imaging device is connected to the system; and  
6               (b) transferring one or more images between the imaging device and the  
7           system in response to the step (a).

1           10. The system of claim 9, wherein the storage medium stores instructions  
2   which when executed by the processor cause the processor to perform the step of:  
3               (c) initiating an application program running on the host system in  
4           response to the step (a).

1           11. A computer-readable medium having stored thereon a plurality of  
2   instructions which, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform the  
3   steps of:  
4               (a) detecting that an imaging device is connected to a host system; and  
5               (b) automatically transferring one or more images between the imaging  
6           device and the host system in response to the step (a).

1           12. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein step (b) further  
2 comprises of:

3                   (b) initiating an application program running on the host system in  
4 response to the step (a).

1           13. A method of transferring image information from a camera to a personal  
2 computer, the method comprising the steps of:

3                   (a) detecting that the camera is connected to the personal computer;

4                   (b) loading a camera driver in response to the step (a);

5                   (c) signaling an operating system that the camera is connected to the  
6 personal computer; and

7                   (d) transferring the image information from the camera to the personal  
8 computer.

1           14. The method of claim 13, wherein the step (d) of transferring image  
2 information further comprises the step of:

3                   (d) initiating an application program for transferring the image  
4 information from the camera to the personal computer.